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In re PATENT APPLICATION of)	Group Art Unit: 1211
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Chris Buhr et al)	Docket No. 157
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Serial No: 07/652,978)	Examiner: G. Kunz
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Filed: February 8, 1991)	
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Title: METHYLENE PHOSPHONATE)	
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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for
Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office action mailed August 7, 1996.

In the Claims

Please amend the claims as follows.

51. (twice amended) A compound having the formula: